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USA/CANADIAN BUSINESSWOMEN'S TRADE SUMMIT MAY 17-21, 1999

WHO: Aida Alvarez, Administrator, U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) will

co-chair the first USA/Canadian Businesswomen's Trade Summit in Toronto, Canada with U.S. Secretary of Commerce William Daley and Canadian Minister

for International Trade Sergio Marchi.

WHAT: This USA/Canadian Businesswomen's Trade Summit will provide an excellent

opportunity for U.S. and Canadian business owners and managers to develop essential commercial relationships and pursue opportunities across the border. This women-focused summit will enhance the participation of export-ready, women-owned and managed businesses in the global marketplace. While the Canada/USA Businesswomen's Trade Summit 1999 is a women-focused event, it

is open to all business owners and managers.

WANTED: 150 U.S. small business owners and managers wishing to expand or improve your

business with market opportunities in Canada.

TO

QUALIFY: You must -

Be a business owner or manager ready to do business in Canada. Fill out the exporter profile at: **www.businesswomensummit.com** or, Make an inquiry

by e-mail at: National@NAWBO.org.

Pay a participation fee of (approximately) \$415. Be responsible for air travel, hotel and meals.

FOR INFO

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